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Sent: Wed 11/16/2016 6:32:46 PM
Subject: FW: For immediate release: RADIOACTIVE WASTE CONFIRMED IN HOME AND BUSINESS

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Thanks, Angela. Sorry I did not respond immediately, but we made sure to include this in the story we posted yesterday afternoon. I know things are early at the moment, but going forward, I'd like to know if the EPA plans to look at/confirm the test results from the Dailey residence, and if this would prompt the agency to do off-site testing around the landfill.

Best,

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Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 2:21 PM

To: Chen, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: For immediate release: RADIOACTIVE WASTE CONFIRMED IN HOME AND BUSINESS

Hi, Elizabeth.

Pasted below is the EPA statement.

Thank you,

Angela

EPA has not received any new data regarding any migration off-site of radiologically impacted material (RIM) from the West Lake Landfill. As we have previously stated, if individuals have new scientifically valid data that we could evaluate they should share that with EPA.

The protection of human health and the environment remains EPA's highest priority at the West

Lake site and all current, scientifically valid, data available to EPA demonstrate no off-site health risk to residents or employees in the local area.

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Hi Ben,

I hope you've been well. I'm looking for a comment, either written or on tape, about these claims that radioactive waste is present in a home and business located near the West Lake Landfill. You can reach me at 314.516.7480.

We plan to air a story this afternoon starting at 3pm. The online story will be going up in a few

minutes and we will note that the story will be updated.

Best,

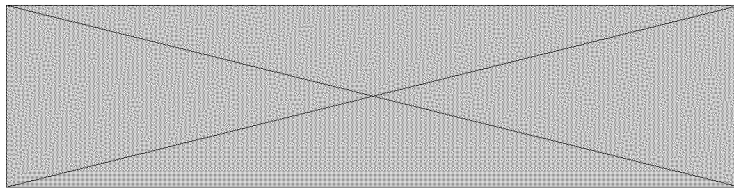
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**RADIOACTIVE WASTE CONFIRMED INSIDE FAMILY HOME AND BUSINESS
SURROUNDING WEST LAKE LANDFILL**

St. Louis, MO – Radioactive waste tied to the Manhattan Project has been found inside a family home in the Spanish Village neighborhood and at a nearby business. The neighborhood and business are both located near the West Lake Landfill, which houses radioactive waste dating back to World War II. This discovery is yet another piece of evidence validating the need for relocation of families within one mile of the landfill.

Karen Nickel with Just Moms STL says, “Allowing people to live inside of homes that are contaminated with the world’s oldest nuclear weapons waste is unacceptable and extremely irresponsible.”

For over five years, the community has endured breathing in toxic fumes from the underground fire at the landfill and there’s no clear end in sight. The Missouri Attorney General indicates a Chernobyl-like event could occur if/when the underground fire collides with the Manhattan Project waste. The schools in the area are on alert for a shelter-in-place event and have asked parents to stock-pile their children’s medication at school in the event they cannot be released.

There is a higher than normal incidence of brain cancer in children under 17 in areas around the West Lake Landfill. Families are sick with bloody noses, asthma, and other respiratory illness and often keep children indoors because the toxic odors are so bad.

Just Moms STL is calling on EPA Federal Administrator Gina McCarthy to use her power under CERCLA and Governor Jay Nixon to relocate families today.

Community Meeting hosted by Just Moms STL this Thursday, November 17th at 6:30pm.

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